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REHEARSAL.

1. The Observator calls me again to the Elections.

Yet I leave not Mr. Hoadly.

3. A full Answer to the Advice to the Electors in England.
4. The Observator puts an Objection as to the Electors in Scotland, And the Power of Parliaments there.

5. Shew'd to be the same in England. His Argument wou'd overthrow the Union. And bring on New Revolutions. The Lord Bishop of Sarum expresly on my side against him.

His Angel of Jura Populi Anglicani.

9. He Repeats the Objection, without taking Notice of my Answer.

WEDNESDAY, June 9. 1708.

T is a long time, Master, fince you have had a Dash with Mr. Observator. He is sometimes a Man of Sonse, and go's not in the Brutal way of Old Tutchin. Cannot you leave Mr. Hoadly a little and speak to the Observator? Now Especially at the time of Elections, upon which Subject he has spent Many Papers.

(2.) Rehearfal. I told you before, That it is as well to speak to Elections when they are over, as for any Good it do's to the Worshipful Elettors. But the Scotch Elections are not yet over, and the Observator lays stress upon them, and I will, to Gratify you, Country-man, speak a word to him. And this will not be Leaving Mr. Hoadly one bit, for the same Principles are Maintain'd by Both.

(3.) But before I begin with them I will give a short Answer to an Advice to the Electors in England, wrote, as I am told by a Person of Quality, and of good Sense too. He writes Artfully, but fails in his Sincerity. He puts upon High-Church all that the Whiggs and Dissenters have done, that is, of Joining with the Papist against the Church of England. It is well known that before the Popisto Lords were Excluded the House of Peers in the Reign of King Char. II. they Caball'd with the Whiggs, and we can tell their Meeting-Places at the House of Sir J— B— And these Pradices was one Cause of their being Remov'd from their Seats in Parliament. And the Then he takes Pains to prove that it was General Silence of the Dissenters in the not so in Scotland, and if it had been so, yet Reign of King Jam. II. as to Popery, when I that it was otherwise in England.

the Church of England stood in the Gap; And their Flaming Addresses for that To-leration which included likewise the Papists; And their being made Regulators of the Corporations all over England, in order to have the Penal Laws and Test taken away, while those of the Church of England were put out of Places to make Room for Whiggs and Diffenters; These things shew who were doing the Business of Popery. And in the late Elections, it is still before our Eyes that the Papists generally through England employ'd their Interest for the Whiggs and Dissenters against those of the Church of England, of which I took Notice in the England, of which I took Notice in the first Volume, being at that Time. So that if you will but Change the Names of Church-Man and Whigg in this Advice to the Ele-tors, you will find it all Truth, that is, the Direct Contrary to what is there

(4) Country-m. I hope this will open the Eyes of People to fee how Grosly they are Impos'd upon. But now, Master, they are Impos'd upon. But now, Master, as to the Observator, in that of the 19 last Month, Vol. vii. Num. 27. he puts an Objection as to the Practice of the Parliaments of Scotland, where, says he, They tell me, it was a received Dostrine; that the Members, when Chosen, had a full Power to do what they thought sit, without any Regard to the Instructions of those who Chose them; and that while the Parliament continued they looked upwhile the Parliament continu'd, they look'd upon the People to be intirely Divested of their Power, till a New Choice.

(5.) Rehear 1.

(5.) Rebearf. It was never otherwise in England, nor in Scotland neither, nor in-deed can be. What! Take Instructions from their Electors! Why? The Greatest Part of the Electors (in Tuttle-Fields for Example) know not what Infractions mean. They are a meer Caput Mortum, Fit Judges in feed, and Statel-men to give Infractions. Why were not they Consulted about the Union? Half of them wou'd have taken it for an Onion, and Voted it into their Pottage ? Pray tell me, Mr. Observator, (whoever you are) do you think that the People gave such full Power to any Partiements as to Chuse the Next Parliament for them, and to Vote that this present Parliament shall be the Next Parliament without any Alteration? Or that the present Parliament shall Chuse all the Members for the ensuing Parlament, without any Intervention of the People at all, as was done in Scotland upon the Union? You will find this Question hard to Answer upon the Foot of the Parliament deriving their Authority from the People. Especially considering that the Partiament in Scotland upon the Union received Instructions upon Instructions from their Electors against it, with which our News Papers here were foll at that time. And these Instructions and Protestations of their Electors against the Union, and declaring it Null and Void if done by their Representatives against their Consent, were read in the Parlement, as you know Addresses are to Princes and they Weigh'd just as much and were put to the same Use! Now upon the Foot of Power in the People (which I have Expos'd and made Ridiculous) here will be an eternal Fund to Question the Validity of the Union. And none can be thought Friends to it who fet up this Power of the People. Indeed they can be Friends to no Confusions and Revolutions to the End of the World. And as the worthy Lord Bishop of Sarum fays excellently (which I have done my felf the Honour to quote before) it fets every private Person upon the Throne, and introduceth an Anarchy, which will not admit of any Order or Remedy. And is worse than Popery it self, and putting all the Nations in the Earth under the Absolute and Despotick Government of the Pope of Rome. And he shews, that the first Inventers of this Universal Supremacy of the Pope, even in Temporals, did it upon the Foot of the Power of the People, who had made him their Universal Representative. And that we owe to these our Notions of the Power of the People.

Country-m. Then they who fet up this Power are not only Enemies to this Union, but to all Union or Good Government, to any

Peace or Settlement whatfoever.

(6.) But, Master, this Observator, Quotes a Book call'd Jura Populi Anglicani which Parliament can't lasfays, That even a whole fully take away the Rights of the People. And fays, That the Author Speaks like an Angel.

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Rehears. But ther are Angels of Different Colours! I doubt this was one of the Black Sort! But I can tell him, That whether the whole Parliament (by which I mean King and Parliament) can Lawfully take away the Rights of the People, yet they can make a Lam to take away any Man's Right, even to his Life. And this is Law, whether it be Lawfull or not.

(7.) But has he not Read my Rehearfals? I must suppose he has, because he now and then gives me a Complement over the left Shoulder. And it would not be Lamfull, that its, Reasonable, to Condemn me without Reading what I had faid, nor to put the Objection again, without Confidering what I had answer'd to it.

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